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DETAILED ACTION

Election/Restrictions

Restriction to one of the following inventions is required under 35 U.S.C. 121:

- I. Claims 1-8, drawn to an agricultural system, classified in class 111, subclass 200.
- II. Claim 9, drawn to a method of adapting a motorcycle for farming, classified in class 180, subclass 53.8.
- III. Claims 10-17, drawn to a tool assembly, classified in class 180, subclass 337. The inventions are distinct, each from the other because of the following reasons:

Inventions II and I are related as combination and subcombination. Inventions in this relationship are distinct if it can be shown that (1) the combination as claimed does not require the particulars of the subcombination as claimed for patentability, and (2) that the subcombination has utility by itself or in other combinations (MPEP § 806.05(c)). In the instant case, the combination as claimed does not require the particulars of the subcombination as claimed because the combination does not require the specific tool bar for at least one of a cultivator, seed drill and sprayer kit, braking system or lifting mechanism of the subcombination. The subcombination has separate utility such as in situations not requiring the method step of removing a motorcycle drive wheel and motorcycle drive axle from a motorcycle or power delivery at a reduced speed and increased torque relative to the speed and torque previously delivered to the motorcycle drive axle.

Inventions II and III are related as combination and subcombination. Inventions in this relationship are distinct if it can be shown that (1) the combination as claimed does not require

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the particulars of the subcombination as claimed for patentability, and (2) that the subcombination has utility by itself or in other combinations (MPEP § 806.05(c)). In the instant case, the combination as claimed does not require the particulars of the subcombination as claimed because the combination does not require the differential gear box to be located in a central region of the tool assembly axle, a lifting mechanism comprising a multi-purpose tool bar, a lifting mechanism comprising a lever and a pulley, or at least one spacer for a tool assembly track width adjustment. The subcombination has separate utility such as in situations not requiring the method step of removing a motorcycle drive wheel and motorcycle drive axle from a motorcycle.

Inventions I and III are related as combination and subcombination. Inventions in this relationship are distinct if it can be shown that (1) the combination as claimed does not require the particulars of the subcombination as claimed for patentability, and (2) that the subcombination has utility by itself or in other combinations (MPEP § 806.05(c)). In the instant case, the combination as claimed does not require the particulars of the subcombination as claimed because the combination does not require the transmission unit to deliver power from the motorcycle drive unit output to a tool assembly axle at a reduced speed and increased torque relative to the speed and torque previously delivered to a motorcycle drive axle, the differential gear box to be located in a central region of the tool axle assembly, a lever and a pulley, or at least one spacer for a tool assembly track width adjustment. The subcombination has separate utility such as in situations not requiring at least one of a cultivator, a seed drill, and a sprayer kit.

Because these inventions are distinct for the reasons given above and have acquired a separate status in the art as shown by their different classification, restriction for examination purposes as indicated is proper.

Applicant is advised that the reply to this requirement to be complete must include an election of the invention to be examined even though the requirement be traversed (37 CFR 1.143).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Christopher J. Novosad whose telephone number is 703-308-2246. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday 5:30am-4:00pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Thomas Will can be reached at 703-308-3870. The fax phone numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are 703-305-3597 for regular communications and 703-305-3597 for After Final communications.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is 703-308-1020.

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